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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, HO

SUBJECT: AEROTRADE AND TRANSFER OF F-86 AIRCRAFT

REF: STATE 054268

1. WE CONCUR WITH DEPT'S CONCLUSION THAT IT IS PREFERABLE TO ATTEMPT TO ARRANGE SIMULTANEOUS NOTIFICATION OF GOES BY BOTH GOH AND USG OF OUR APPROVAL OF AEROTRADE LICENSE APPLICATION FOR SALE OF F-86'S TO GOH. OUR PREFERENCE WOULD BE TO SUGGEST THAT LOPEZ TELEPHONE MOLINA TO INFORM HIM THAT HE IS PURCHASING PRECISE NUMBER OF F-86'S OF FORMER YUGOSLAV OWNERSHIP FROM AEROTRADE9 A U.S. PRIVATE CORPORATION. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL FOR LOPEZ TO IDENTIFY THIS ACQUISITION IN IDENTICAL CONTEXT THAT MOLINA RATIONALIZED TO LOPEZ THE GOES PURCHASE OF ISRAELI AIRCRAFT AT THEIR MEETING IN CHIQUIMULA, GUATEMALA IN LATE 1973, IE.,

(A) STRICTLY MODERNIZATION GEARED TO MEET SECURITY NEEDS, AND UNRELATED TO ANY CONSIDERATION IN CURRENT SITUATION IN CENTRAL AMERICA AND,

(B) NOT INTENDED AS THREAT TO ANY OF HIS NEIGHBORS (SEE SAN SALVADOR 4627 OF DEC. 14, 1973 AND PREVIOUS). SINCE LOPEZ HAS BEEN INTENSIVELY PRESSURING USGOV FOR SEVERAL MONTHS TO APPROVE AEROTRADE'S LICENSE APPLICATION, WE CONSIDER IT BOTH FEASIBLE AND APPROPRIATE TO OFFER FOREGOING SUGGESTION TO LOPEZ ABOUT NOTIFYING MOLINA. NOT ONLY WOULD IT BE HELPFUL
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IN CONNECTION WITH THIS TRANSACTCON, BUT IT WOULD BE A

HIGHLY DESIRABLE ACTION TO MAINTAIN THE "ERA OF GOOD FEELING"
AND MUTUAL TRUST CURRENTLY BEING NURTURED BY BOTH LOPEZ AND
MOLINA.

2. CONCURRENTLY, WE WOULD HAVE USMILGP COMMANDER ROUTINELY
INFORM DEFENSE MINISTER THAT USGOV HAS APPROVED AEROTRADE
LICENSE APPLICATION FOR SALE OF PRECISE NUMBER OF F-86'S OF
FORMER YUGOSLAV OWNERSHIP TO GOH.
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